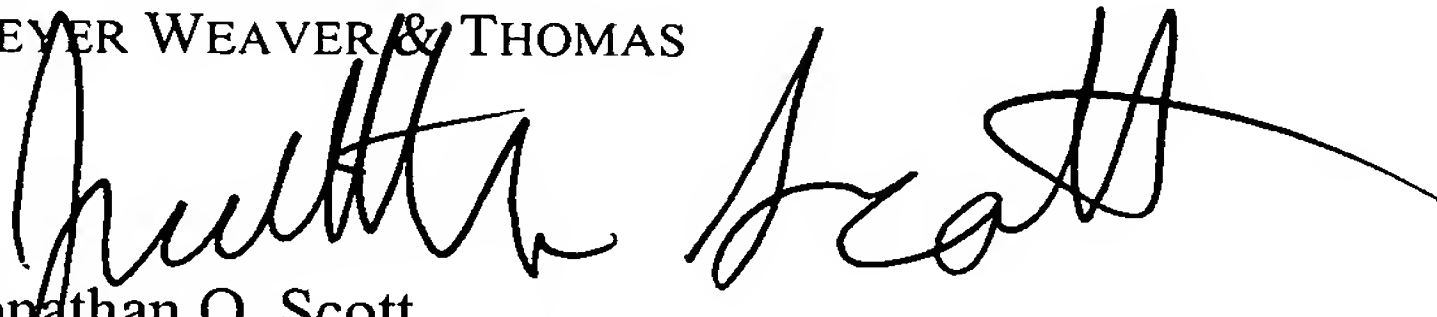


REMARKS

Claims 6, 12, 25, 34, 39, 55, 56, 65, 66, 80, 81 and 82 have been canceled. Claims 76, 77 and 84 have been amended. There are a total of 72 claims now pending in this application.

Consideration of this application and issuance of a Notice of Allowance at an early date are respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would in any way expedite prosecution, please do not hesitate to telephone the undersigned at (612) 252-3330.

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